GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

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SOUTH EASTERN COALFIELDS LIMITED
VISHNU DEO SAI

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the total land under possession of coal companies for mining in Raigarh district at present;

(b) the details of land allotted to the private lease holders to start coal mining f activities in private sector in South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) in the said district;

(c) the area of land actually under the possession of the private lease holders as on February 28,2002;

(d) the terms and conditions laid down in this regard ;

(e) the area of land acquired from the private land owners and the reasons therefor, and

(f) the names of the land owners and the details in regard to compliance of the laid down conditions ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL & MINES(SHRI RA M VILAS PASWAN)

(a) Land acquired for surface rights by SECL in Raigarh District is 85.726 Ha.

(b)&(c) In Raigarh district, the Jindal Steel &Power Limited have obtained lease over an area of 705.556 hectares for mining coal for captive consumption in their Iron & Steel Plants.The area over which M/s Jindal Steel & Power Limited holds this lease for mining coal is outside the leasehold area of the South Eastern Coalfields Limited.

(d) The private leaseholders have been allowed coal mining over the area subject to this condition that the coal extracted from the captive mine shall be used by the private leaseholder exclusively in its end use plant for production of Iron and Steel.

(e)&(f) Under the Mines & Minerals (Developmentand Regulation) Act, 1957, and Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, the applicant for mining lease is required to obtain consent of the private landowner within the area proposed for mining lease before the mining lease could be granted by the State Government. These areas are as such acquired by the leaseholder himself and hence these details are with the private leaseholder. The private leaseholder pays compensation to the private landowner for use of their land for purpose of mining.